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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NON-ALIGNED RES CONCERNING LAW OF THE
SEA DATED 7 SEPT 1973.

QUOTE

FOURTH SUMMIT CONFERENCE OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, MEETING
IN ALGIERS FROM 5 TO 8 SEPT 1973,

CONSIDERING THAT NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, AT LUSAKA AND GEORGETOWN
MEETINGS, FORMULATED IMPORTANT PRINCIPLES CONCERNING LOS WHICH
HAVE INFLUENCED SUBSEQUENT DECISION OF UNGA AS WELL AS
PREPARATIONS FOR NEXT CONFERENCE ON LOS,

RECALLING GA RES 2749 (XXV) WHICH CONTAINS STATEMENT OF
PRINCIPLES RELATING TO SEABED AND OCEAN FLOOR BASED ON
DECLARATION ADOPTED IN SEPT 1970 AT LUSAKA,
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RECALLING ALSO GA RES 3016 (XXVII) WHICH REAFFIRMS RIGHT OF STATES TO PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL NATURAL RESOURCES, BOTH OF TERRITORIES INCLUDED WITHIN THEIR INTERNATIONAL FRONTIERS AND IN THE SEABED AND OCEAN FLOOR AND SUB-SOIL THEREOF WITHIN LIMITS OF THEIR NATIONAL JURISDICTION AND IN SUPERJACENT WATERS,

RECALLING FURTHER PRINCIPLES, RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECLARATIONS ADOPTED AT MEETINGS OF ASIAN-AFRICAN LEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COLOMBO 1971, LAGOS 1972 AND NEW DELHI 1973), AT SECOND MINISTERIAL MEETING OF GROUP OF 77 (LIMA 1971), AT CONFERENCE OF CHANCELLORS OF CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES (SANTO DOMINGO 1972), AT REGIONAL SEMINAR OF AFRICAN STATES ON LOS (YAOUNDE 1973), AT UNCTAD III (SANTIAGO DE CHILE 1972) AND AT CONFERENCE OF ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY (ADDIS ABABA 1973),

REAFFIRMING VITAL IMPORTANCE OF RATIONAL EXPLOITATION OF MARINE AND OCEAN RESOURCES FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF THE WELL-BEING OF PEOPLES,

CONSIDERING, FINALLY, NEED FOR FURTHER COORDINATION BETWEEN NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO ENSURE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF THESE PRINCIPLES AT CONFERENCE ON LOS TO BE HELD IN SANTIAGO DE CHILE IN 1974 AND WHICH, ACCORDING TO RES 2750 C (XXV), IS TO EXAMINE AS A WHOLE VARIOUS SUBJECTS AND QUESTIONS OF LEGAL REGIME GOVERNING OCEANIC SPACE, HAVING REGARD TO THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REALITIES AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS OF LAST DECADE,

1. WELCOMES ADOPTION BY THE UNGA OF RESES 2749 (XXV) AND 3016 (XXVII);

2. SUPPORTS RECOGNITION OF RIGHTS OF COASTAL STATES IN SEAS ADJACENT TO THEIR COASTS AND IN SOIL AND SUB-SOIL THEREOF, WITHIN ZONES OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION NOT EXCEEDING 200 MILES MEASURED FROM BASELINES, FOR PURPOSES OF EXPLOITING NATURAL RESOURCES AND PROTECTING OTHER INTERESTS OF THEIR PEOPLES, WITHOUT PREJUDICE EITHER TO FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION AND OVERFLIGHT, WHERE APPLICABLE, OR TO REGIME RELATING TO CONTINENTAL SHELF;

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3. STRESSES NEED TO ESTABLISH PREFERENTIAL SYSTEM FOR GEOGRAPHICALLY HANDICAPPED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, INCLUDING LAND-LOCKED COUNTRIES, IN RESPECT BOTH OF ACCESS TO SEA AND OF EXPLOITATION OF DIVING RESOURCES IN ZONES OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION;

4. RECOMMENDS THAT NEW LOS TAKE INTO ACCOUNT SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF EACH REGION;

5. REAFFIRMS PRINCIPLES THAT THE ZONE AND RESOURCES OF SEABEDS AND OCEAN FLOORS AND SUBSOIL THEREOF BEYOND LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION ARE COMMON HERITAGE OF MANKIND;

--NEED TO TAKE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES ADOPTED BY UNGA AS BASIS FOR ESTABLISHING SYSTEM FOR ADMINISTERING THAT ZONE;

--NEED TO SET UP AN INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE, UNDER ITS EFFECTIVE CONTROL EITHER DIRECTLY OR BY ANY OTHER MEANS ON WHICH IT MIGHT DECIDE, ALL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO EXPLORATION OF ZONE AND EXPLOITATION OF ITS RESOURCES, HAVING DUE REGARD TO ECONOMIC AND ECOLOGICAL REPERCUSSIONS OF SUCH ACTIVITIES ON SPECIAL NEEDS AND INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHETHER COASTAL OR LAND-LOCKED AND DISTRIBUTING EQUITABLY THE BENEFITS AND OTHER ADVANTAGES RESULTING FROM SUCH ACTIVITIES;

6. RECOMMENDS ALSO THAT NEW RULES GOVERNING USE AND EXPLOITATION OF OCEAN SPACE SHOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION CONSERVATION OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT;

7. CONSIDERS THAT NEW RULES SHOULD EFFECTIVELY HELP TO REMOVE THREATS TO SECURITY OF STATES AND ENSURE RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF STATES;

8. STRESSES URGENCY OF CONFERENCE ON LOS TO BE HELD IN SANTIAGO DE CHILE IN 1974, AND NEED TO ENSURE ITS SUCCESS THROUGH ADEQUATE PREPARATION AND ADOPTION OF RULES OF PROCEDURE PERMITTING RAPID ACHIEVEMENT OF POSITIVE RESULTS AND ENSURING MAXIMUM POSSIBLE DEGREE OF AGREEMENT;

9. REITERATES THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES GOVERNING SEABED AND OCEAN FLOOR AND SUBSOIL THEREOF OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION, AS ADOPTED UNDER RES 2749
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KXXV), AND WITH PROVISIONS OF RES 2574 (XXIV), NO STATE OR PERSONS, PHYSICAL OR JURIDICAL, MAY EXPLOIT RESOURCES OF AREA PENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL REGIME AGREED ON;

10. RECOMMENDS THAT, IN VIEW OF NEXT SESSION OF UNGA AND OF CONFERENCE ON LOS, REPS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES SHOULD HOLD PRIOR MEETINGS TO COORDINATE THEIR POSITIONS AND ACTIONS ON MATTERS OF ORGANIZATION AND SUBSTANCE RELATING TO THAT CONFERENCE SO AS TO ENSURE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW REGIME GOVERNING OCEAN SPACE WHICH IS BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF JUSTICE, SECURITY, PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE, DEVELOPMENT AND WELL-BEING FOR ALL PEOPLES.
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